

110TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. 262

Honoring Ellen May Tower who, while an United States Army nurse during the Spanish-American War, became the first Army nurse to die on foreign soil.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 22, 2007

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan (for himself, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. WALBERG, and Mr. McCOTTER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Honoring Ellen May Tower who, while an United States Army nurse during the Spanish-American War, became the first Army nurse to die on foreign soil.

Whereas Ellen May Tower was born on May 8, 1868, in Byron, Michigan;

Whereas Ellen May Tower volunteered for service with the United States Army as a nurse in 1898 and served as a nurse during the Spanish-American War;

Whereas Ellen May Tower contracted typhoid fever and became the first Army nurse to die on foreign soil while serving her country; and

Whereas Ellen May Tower was the first women to receive a military burial in the State of Michigan and only the

third woman in United States history to receive such a burial: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) recognizes the spirit of service and dedica-
- 3 tion that Ellen May Tower displayed for her coun-
- 4 try;
- 5 (2) honors Ellen May Tower as a great Amer-
- 6 ican in recognition of her contributions to the State
- 7 of Michigan and the United States Army; and
- 8 (3) honors Ellen May Tower during Women's
- 9 History Month.

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